[MR. M. Ramachandra Rao.]

(b)	Year.	BANKS. No. of loans.	Total amount.	SOCIETIES. No. of loans	Total amount.
	1112	16	Rs. 46,800	26	Rs. 32,390
			Total 42 loans of Rs. 79,100		
	1113	20	Rs. 2,03,250	14	Rs. 56,220
			Total 34 loans of Rs. 2,59,470		
	1114	4	Rs. 37,500	12	Rs. 28,400
			Total 16 loans of Rs. 65,900		

Dispensary in the Ceramic Works.

260. ❋ **MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR** : Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is a dispensary in the Ceramic works at Kundara ?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: (*Surgeon General*) . Yes.

Statement, by caste, of the officers of the Medical Department.

261. ❋**MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolm*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table :

(*a*) a statement, by caste, of the officers in service in the Medical Department, receiving a pay of above Rs. 25 ; and

(*b*) a statement, by caste, of the acting and permanent appointments made in the Medical Department from the date on which the present head of that department assumed charge till the 1st Dhanu 1115 ?

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: (*a*) and (*b*) *Statements containing the information are placed on the table.

District Court at Mavelikara.

262. ❋**MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI** : Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any Government buildings are available for housing the District Court at Mavelikara ; and

(*b*) if not, whether any other building has been chosen for the purpose ?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Legal Remembrancer to Government*) : (*a*) No.

(*b*) The matter is under consideration.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether the Training School building may be made available for the purpose ?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI ; No. Sir.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI (*Karunagapally* cum *Kartikapally*) : May I know whether the establishment of the court is finally settled ?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: It has not been finally settled.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI: May I know whether any private building has been inspected for the purpose ?

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MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: The matter is under the consideration of Government, as has been already stated in the answer.

Handloom Weaving Industries.

263. ***MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether a considerable section of the people of the State are engaged in handloom weaving industry ;

(*b*) whether the handloom weaving industry requires protection and encouragement ; and

(*c*) if so, whether any measures have been taken ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know the measures taken towards protection and encouragement of the handloom weaving industry ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: The handloom weavers have been supplied with yarn at a cheaper cost. The competition from mill yarn has been minimised. The Government have already taken measures to provide yarn at reduced rates.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether yarn is at present available at cheaper rates ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: Government have made arrangements with some firms to supply yarn at cheaper rates. That is the understanding which we have come to.

PRESIDENT: Necessary arrangements have been made in that direction.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether yarn could be obtained at cheaper rates at present in Travancore ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: I have already said that Government have come to some understanding with a firm having dealings in Travancore. It is expected that the yarn could be had at cheaper rates.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether it is possible for Government to get at some such arrangement from the available firms in Travancore for the supply of yarn ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: Government have made arrangements with a firm.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: My question is whether Government are in a position to know about the reduced price of yarn from the markets available in Travancore and advertise it to the benefit of the handloom weaving industries ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: That has already been done by Government.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether yarn is available at present at cheaper rates as a consequence of the arrangements made by Government so far ?

PRESIDENT: Has that not been given publicity ?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS: The Department has issued circulars to all the weavers known to them and some of them have replied that they are getting the yarn at cheaper rates.

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